



CS/HB 955 Medicaid Eligibility Requirements

- **CS/HB 955** creates a reasonable eligibility requirement for Medicaid to incentivize employment.
- The bill directs the Agency for Health Care Administration to seek federal approval to require able-bodied adults in the Medicaid program to work or be in school – consistent with the requirements for federal cash assistance programs.
- The work requirements would apply to an estimated 501,554 Medicaid recipients.
 - Under the bill, the work requirements would only apply to Managed Medical Assistance enrollees; not Long-Term Care enrollees, who are elderly or disabled. As with the federal cash assistance programs, disabled people are exempt from the work requirements, and medical exceptions also apply.
 - The bill's work requirements would apply to able-bodied adults with children, and able-bodied adults without children ages 19-20, who meet the current income eligibility requirements. Medicaid recipients who are also temporary cash assistance (TCA) beneficiaries are already subject to Temporary Aid for Needy Families work requirements.
- If approved by the federal government, MMA enrollees would be required to submit proof to Department of Children and Families of work activities for no more than 40 hours per week, consistent with federal TCA requirements.